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LAW DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 27th October, 2018

No. 11798–I-Legis-42/2018 / L.— The following Act of Parliament which is assented by the President on the 17th August, 2018 and published by the Government of India, Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department) in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section-I, dated the 17th August, 2018 is hereby republished for general information.

MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 17th August, 2018/Shravana 26, 1940 (Saka)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 17th August, 2018, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDULED TRIBES

(PREVENTION OF ATROCITIES) AMENDMENT ACT, 2018

No. 27 OF 2018

[17th August, 2018.]

An Act further to amend the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018.

Short title and commencement

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Insertion of new section 18A.

2. After section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

33 of 1989.

No enquiry or approval required.

- "18A. (1) For the purposes of this Act,—
 - (a) preliminary enquiry shall not be required for registration of a First Information Report against any person; or
 - (b) the investigating officer shall not require approval for the arrest, if necessary, of any person,

against whom an accusation of having committed an offence under this Act has been made and no procedure other than that provided under this Act or the Code shall apply.

(2) The provisions of section 438 of the Code shall not apply to a case under this Act, notwithstanding any judgment or order or direction of any Court.".

DR. G. NARAYANA RAJU, Secretary to the Govt. of India.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (Department of Social Justice and Empowerment) NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 20th August, 2018

S.O. 4027(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) section 1 of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018 (27 of 2018), the Central Government hereby appoints the 20th day of August, 2018, as the date on which the provision of the said Act shall come into force.

[No. 11012/2/2018-PCR(Desk)] RASHMI CHOWDHARY, Jt. Secy.

By order of the Governor
SASHIKANTA MISHRA
Principal Secretary to Government

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